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A ***Choose a, b, c or d.***

1. I started a new job three days ago, and remembering the names of all my ..... is still a struggle.
a. peers **b.** contacts **c.** co-workers **d.** acquaintances

2. We have plenty of time before the supermarket closes, so we don't have to ..... to get there.
a. rush **b.** stroll **c.** chase **d.** attempt

3. After recently getting into jogging, I thought it was time to invest ..... a good pair of trainers.
a. with **b.** to **c.** on **d.** in

4. The reason why Jack has a reputation for being very ..... is because he always does what he promises to do and never lets people down.
a. optimistic **b.** flexible **c.** dynamic **d.** reliable

5. I just bought a jumper online, but I haven't received an email ..... the order yet.
a. determining **b.** confirming **c.** responding **d.** conveying

6. I would have donated this book to a charity shop, but several of the pages are .....
a. scratched **b.** chipped **c.** cracked **d.** torn

7. Organising the cheese festival was a little stressful, but everything ..... exactly as planned on the day.
a. ran out **b.** went over **c.** worked out **d.** came up

8. The months of training were difficult, but winning the swimming tournament ..... it all worthwhile.
a. did **b.** made **c.** had **d.** gave

9. The students were delighted to learn that the deadline for the project had been ..... by a week.
a. boosted **b.** pushed back **c.** proceeded **d.** updated

10. London's endless attractions and world-famous landmarks are what make it such a(n) ..... capital city.
a. spacious **b.** excessive **c.** vibrant **d.** rural

11. The documentary explained the techniques involved in ..... ancient artefacts in good enough condition for future generations to be able to admire them.
a. preserving **b.** treating **c.** promoting **d.** observing

12. I don't really want to buy anything. I'm just .....
a. examining **b.** glancing **c.** browsing **d.** reflecting

13. Into how many pieces shall I ..... the cake?
a. bite **b.** slice **c.** blend **d.** grate

14. After ..... the necessary funds, the community centre set up three extra sports clubs for children under the age of ten.
a. stimulating **b.** submitting **c.** acquiring **d.** expanding

15. After his ..... from university, he decided to travel around Europe for six months.
a. graduation **b.** requirement **c.** qualification **d.** registration

16. The children played football in the garden to burn ..... some energy before dinner.
a. off **b.** out **c.** over **d.** down

17. When my flight was cancelled, I received over £200 in .....
a. profit **b.** pension **c.** donation **d.** compensation

18. The recent ..... of a new bird species in South America was all over the news.
a. innovation **b.** breakthrough **c.** discovery **d.** navigation

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B ***Choose a, b, c or d.***

1. I ..... exercise much as a university student, but now I hit the gym every morning before work.
a. didn't use to **b.** hadn't been used to **c.** wasn't used to **d.** didn't get used to

2. The firefighters believe that Alice ..... when the fire started.
a. had slept **b.** slept **c.** was sleeping **d.** has been sleeping

3. Mark ..... have been at the gym this morning because he's at home with a broken leg.
a. needn't **b.** shouldn't **c.** mustn't **d.** can't

4. This yoghurt ..... strange. I don't think we should eat it.
a. is smelling **b.** smells **c.** has been smelling **d.** has smelt

5. Nancy offered to babysit my son, ... was very nice of her.
a. which it **b.** which **c.** that **d.** whom

6. I regret ..... late for the meeting. I missed half of the presentation.
a. arrive **b.** to arrive **c.** arriving **d.** to arriving

7. Visitors are ..... have barbecues anywhere in the park due to the risk of fire.
a. obliged to **b.** prohibited from **c.** forbidden to **d.** not permitted

8. Not even once ..... lost during our road trip.
a. we get **b.** we got **c.** we did get **d.** did we get

9. I ..... while I was on the bus.
a. got stolen my phone **b.** had stolen my phone **c.** got my phone to steal **d.** had my phone stolen

10. By September, my sister and I ..... money for three months, but we still might not have enough for a trip abroad.
a. are going to save **b.** will have been saving **c.** are saving **d.** will save

11. ..... the day hiking, I returned home exhausted.
a. Spending **b.** Because spending **c.** Having spent **d.** Spent

12. The new regulations are ..... to the students at the moment.
a. announced **b.** announcing **c.** been announced **d.** being announced

13. I've read ..... different viewpoints on this topic that I don't know what to think any more.
a. too many **b.** so much **c.** so many **d.** such a lot

14. It's about time we ..... a holiday somewhere warm and sunny.
a. book **b.** booked **c.** would book **d.** will book

15. Robert didn't get the job as he had ..... previous work experience.
a. hardly **b.** little **c.** not much **d.** very few

16. I would rather you ..... my new tablet yesterday without asking me first.
a. didn't use **b.** not use **c.** not have used **d.** hadn't used

17. You won't do well on your exam ..... you study harder.
a. unless **b.** whether **c.** provided **d.** as long as

18. The nutritionist advised me ..... a lot of processed meat.
a. do not eat **b.** not to eat **c.** must not eat **d.** not eat

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C ***Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given.***
Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

1. Many people consider his latest painting his best work ever. **to**
His latest painting ..... his best work ever.

2. I was just about to go to bed when the phone rang. **point**
I was ..... to bed when the phone rang.

3. 'Did you inquire about the cost of the creative writing course?' Betty asked Lizzie. **whether**
Better wondered ..... the cost of the creative writing course.

4. Make sure you don't lose your receipt, because you may need it. **better**
You ..... your receipt, because you may need it.

5. Fortunately, my husband and I agree about how much screen time our son should be allowed each day. **page**
Fortunately, my husband and I are ..... about how much screen time our son should be allowed each day.

6. Even though Charlie went to bed early last night, he felt tired this morning. **spite**
Charlie felt tired this morning ..... to bed early last night.

7. My sister is the worst driver I know. **badly**
No other person I know ..... my sister does.

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D ***Complete the text with the correct form of the words in capitals.***

Jules Verne

Jules Verne (1828–1905) is one of the most popular science-fiction authors of all time. Born and raised in the port city of Nantes in France, Verne had a strong (**1**) ..... about the sea and adventure from an early age. The stories he wrote as an adult feature continuous references to adventure, such as in his famous novel *Around the World in Eighty Days*. That book tells the story of Phileas Fogg, who sets off from London in 1872 with the (**2**) ..... of completing a trip around the entire world in just eighty days. **CURIOUS** **INTEND**

Other than his exceptional (**3**) ..... skill as a writer and inventor of ..... fascinating plots, Verne possessed a(n) (**4**) ..... ability to imagine the ..... future. His novels, written in the 1800s, describe tall buildings like today's skyscrapers and a communication system which has great (**5**) ..... with the modern-day internet. Moreover, he wrote about travels through space and deep under the sea—voyages that were certainly (**6**) ..... at the time, as the needed technology did not exist until many decades later. Interestingly, historians often point out the (**7**) ..... of Verne's work in inspiring others to make his technological ideas a reality. **ARTIST** **REMARK** **SIMILAR** **ACHIEVABLE** **SIGNIFICANT**

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Today, Verne’s novels continue to bring (**8**) _____ to readers worldwide. **ENJOY**

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Reading

Read the text and answer the questions 1-6. Choose a, b, c or d.

Visiting Beijing and Hiking the Great Wall of China

By Jasper Wood

It had been a while since my last holiday abroad, and I had been thinking about planning a trip somewhere when a friend asked me to join him on a five-day hike along the Great Wall of China. I was extremely excited by the idea and jumped at the chance. I arranged to take some time off work, and within a week the entire trip was booked.

Our day of departure finally arrived, and after a ten-hour plane trip, my friend and I landed in Beijing three days before the start of our hiking expedition. Predictably, we were feeling exhausted from the journey, and our initial plan was to spend those days resting at the hotel (as much as possible, at least) to build up some energy for our hike. Of course, with so many wonderful attractions to visit in Beijing, it was probably unrealistic to expect that to happen. In fact, no sooner had we arrived at our hotel than we went out again, and we visited as many famous sites as we could fit into three days: Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace. However, none of that compared to the experience we were about to have while hiking the Great Wall.

On day one of the hike, our guide picked us up from our hotel early in the morning and drove us to the Jinshanling section of the wall. On the way there, we were given a safety talk, and our guide ran through the itinerary for the next few days. Then we set off and what can I say? We had a fantastic time. From morning to night, we were constantly doing something. Our days were spent hiking for hours across different parts of the wall; then, as evening approached, we were taken to nearby villages. There, we stayed in charming little guesthouses. No detail was overlooked, and we didn't even have to think about what we would eat. Every evening, we were taken to a lovely little restaurant where we ate authentic Chinese cuisine. We felt worn out at the end of each day, but it was worth it because we experienced as much as we could in the time that we had.

One of the highlights when visiting those villages was interacting with the locals—something I always make an effort to do whenever I go on a trip. The people we met were so welcoming. I became particularly friendly with a man called Ming, who owned one of the places we stayed at. We chatted in English, and he told me he had been studying the language for several years. It was fascinating hearing everything he had to say about his life in China and about all the customs and traditions I had read about in books.

Of course, the wall itself is magnificent—there is a reason why it was voted to be one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. This remarkable structure crosses more than thirteen thousand miles of Northern China, and the landscape it goes through is equally magnificent. I had seen images of the Great Wall and the mountains and

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vivid green valleys around it in documentaries, but let me tell you, it is even more impressive in real life. Simply breathtaking. Hiking along it, however, was hardly a walk in the park. We must have climbed thousands of stairs, some of which were quite steep.

Not all of the wall is accessible either, so there were times when it was necessary to hike on nearby paths. I was in

pretty good shape, but I still felt as though I had bitten off more than I could chew at times. Looking back, though, I think **30**

the fact that it was such a challenge is one of the reasons why I enjoyed the experience so much.

You see, not only did I gain many wonderful travel memories during the hike, but I also returned

home to the UK feeling a huge sense of accomplishment.

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1. How does Jasper say he felt when his friend proposed they go hiking in China together?

- **a.** hesitant to accept the invitation at first
- **b.** over the moon about the idea of going
- **c.** eager to book the trip as soon as possible
- **d.** worried about who would fill in for him at work during his absence

2. In line 7, what does **that** refer to?

- **a.** resting before the hike
- **b.** arriving at the hotel
- **c.** visiting the attractions in Beijing
- **d.** feeling exhausted from the journey

3. When describing the itinerary for the hike, Jasper implies that

- **a.** it included a lot of free time.
- **b.** the majority of the hiking occurred before midday.
- **c.** it was very well-organised.
- **d.** the busy schedule overwhelmed him.

4. What do we understand about Jasper in paragraph four?

- **a.** He is fluent in several languages, including Chinese.
- **b.** He has visited other parts of China before.
- **c.** He found communicating with the locals difficult.
- **d.** He is very interested in learning about other cultures.

5. What is true about Jasper’s impressions of the Great Wall, based on what he says in the last paragraph?

- **a.** The scenery he encountered there amazed him the most.
- **b.** The Great Wall exceeded his expectations.
- **c.** Certain parts of the Great Wall are more breathtaking than others.
- **d.** The Great Wall looks just as stunning on television.

6. What does the phrase ‘I had bitten off more than I could chew’ (line 30) tell us about how Jasper was feeling during certain parts of the hike?

- **a.** He was in no doubt about his ability to complete the hike.
- **b.** He was determined to push himself to his limits during the hike.
- **c.** He knew he should have exercised more to prepare for the trip.
- **d.** He had attempted something beyond his abilities.

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Listening

You will hear people talking in ten different situations. After you hear each conversation, you will be asked a question about what you heard. Choose the picture which answers the question correctly.

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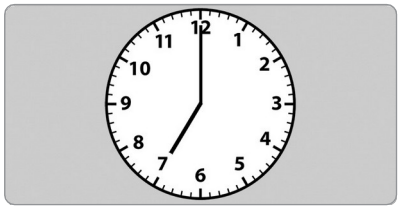

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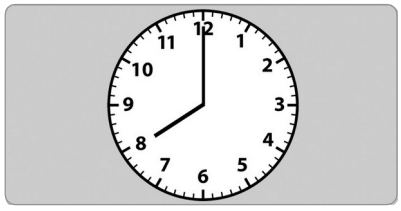

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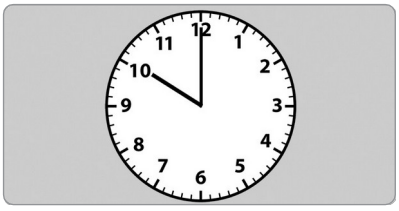

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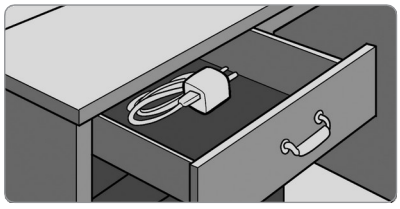

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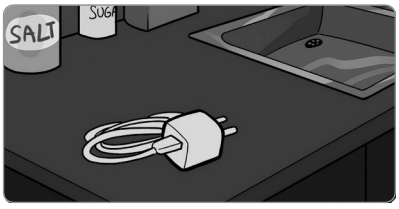

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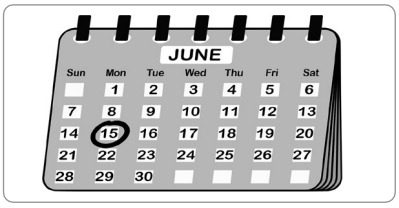

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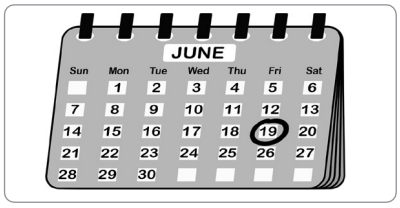

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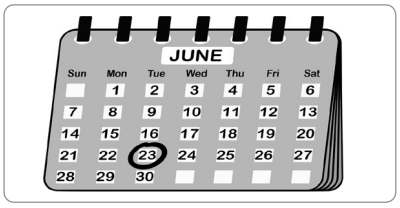

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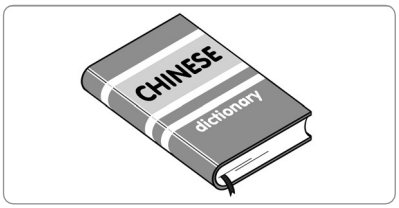

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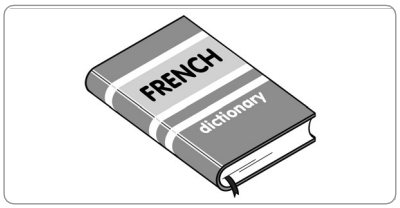

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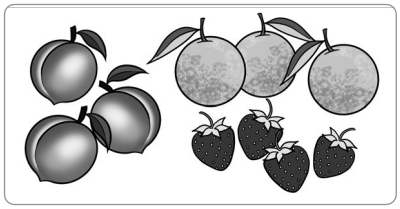

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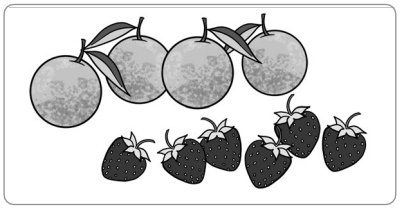

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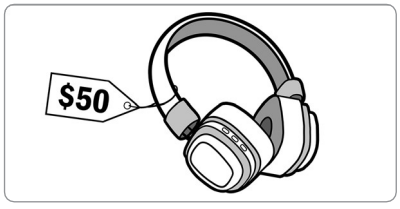

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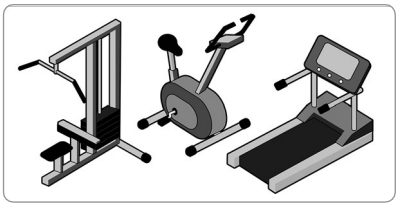

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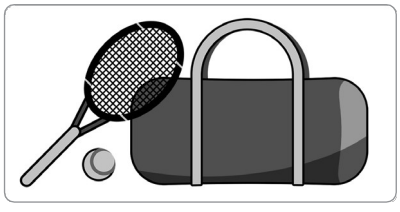

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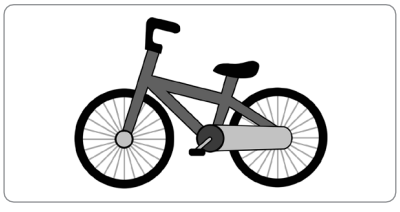

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Writing

Choose one of the two writing tasks below.

Writing Task 1:

The following announcement was published in an online magazine for young people.

> **ARTICLES WANTED!**
>
> • What do people your age consider success in life?
>
> • What do you want to achieve in life?
>
> • What do you think successful people are like?

Write an article answering these questions.

Writing Task 2:

In your English class, you have been talking about foreign languages. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay on the topic below. Write your essay using all the notes provided and giving reasons to justify your opinion. Learning foreign languages can benefit people in many ways. Do you agree?

Notes:

a. more job opportunities

b. access to translating apps

c. (your own idea)

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Total Score / 100

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